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about from flower to flower, till he is heavi-

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again, and so on till the shades of eve-

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"Reach me a little more water, and wet

# The Poet's Column.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS. BY MRS. N. P. LASSETLE.

It is her right to watch beside The hed of sickness and of pain, And when the heart almost despairs, To whisper hope of health again. Her right to make the hearth-atone glad,

And when man is with care oppress'd, His weary spirit to beguile.

It is her right to train her sons
So they may Senate chambers grace;
Then is she with more honor crowned
Than if herself had filled the place.

It is her right to be admired
By ev'ry gen'rons, manly heart,
When, with true dignity and grace,
She acteth well a woman's part. She hath a dearer right than this :

To be in one true heart enshrined— Who, though the world may all forsake, Will cherish still, and still be kind. And there is yet a higher right,

Which also is to woman given;
'Tis her's to teach the infant mind
Those truths divine that come from heave What would she more than to perform On earth life's holiest, sweetest task? When you a perfect woman find, No other rights than these she asks.

### THE DOOMED MAN!

There is a time, we know not when ; A point, we know not where, That marks the destiny of men To glory or despair. There is a line, by us unseen, That crosses every path, The hidden boundary between God's patience and his wrath.

To pass that limit is to die,
To die as if by stealth;
It does not quench the beaming eye
Or pale the glow of health. The conscience may be still at case.

The spirits light and gay;
That which is pleasing still may please,
And care be thrust away. But on the forehead God has set.

Indelibly, a mark Inseen by man, for man as yet Is blind and in the dark. And yet the doomed man's path below Like Eden may have bloomed: He did not, does not, will not know Or feel that he is doomed.

He knows, he feels that all is well, And every fear is calmed;
He lives, he dies, he wakes in hell
Not only doomed, but damned.
Oh! where is this mysterious bourne

By which our path is crossed, Beyond which God himself hath sworn That he who goes is lost.

How far may we go in sin,
How long will God forbear?
When does hope end, and where begin
The confiers of deapair.
An answer from the skies is sent—
Ye that from God depart,
While it is called TO-DAY repent,
And harden not your heart.

## Miscellaneous.

#### Dying Advice of HONORABLE SIMON SMIRK.

Simon Smirk was on his death-bed. His son Samuel was standing by his side; and while he was holding his father's hand, his father spoke to him as follows: "Sammy, I am dying-at the age of

fifty-five. I wish you to pay strict attention to my dying advice!" "Father, I will."

"And I wish you to follow my advice after I am dead."

"I will, father."

"Sammy, the neighbors and all my friends tell me I haven't an enemy in the you to understand why I haven't. It's all 

Samuel wept, as in duty bound, but

"It has always been my policy" resumed the dying Smirk, "to avoid giving offence to any one. No matter what people said or did to me-or any one elsefor a specific number of insertious, will be con-tinued until ordered out, and payment exacted right or wrong—1 have always endeavored to forbear and submit, wherever I could: to be calm and cautious on all occasions, and to avoid the exhibition of any sign of resentment. By long experience in this course, I have found that by persevering to agree with everybody, skilfully, is a sure eventual guide to universal popu-

"But have you never had any difficulty

"Reach me a little more water, and wet 4. If subscribers remove to other places without informing the publisher, and the papers are plain. There, there, he added, as his sent to the former direction, they are held respect to the former direction, they are held respect to plain. There, there, he added, as his sent to the former direction, they are held respect to plain. There, there, he added, as his sent to the former direction, they are held respect to parched to speak plain. There, there, he added, as his sent to the former direction, they are held respect to the former direction, they are held respect to the former direction, they are held respect to the former direction. There is no consistent to the former direction occasion ally—what is called a fine address, was met by for everybody-and then you will get

"But I musn't be friendly to villians, must I ?"

" Friendly! humph! be friendly to nobody-seem so. Villians! they compose two-thirds of the community, and are the most influential. As for the other third. though it is well enough to keep their good opinion, they are only subordinate agents in the building up of a man. But don't get affronted with them. Oh, no, Sam; never do that! Never kick a dog

unless you are sure he has not any owner. then kick away, if you have a like to." Though his father was dving, Samuel could not help smiling at this language.

"That's right," said the elder Smirk. I like that. Smile again, Sam; smile friend. But be careful you don't smile at the wrong time. A smile is a powerful you disarm them." weapon, but must be used with judgment." "There's a good deal in that." observed

such a favorite with the women?" " No. father."

and asked your opinion?"

it, make that person friendly."

"Must I be stingy or liberal?"

ly smile-" that is, in sentiment. Whenever a generous deed is done, exalt it to "I made a hit. My noble-mindedness the skies. Always praise generous peo- became proverbial. I was compared to ple. Clap your hands for philanthropy, Cincinnatus and Washington, and put up and then clap them in your pocket and for representative and elected by both keep them there."

"Suppose a beggar asks alms of me, or prosper-oh," I am called on to contribute to some charitable object ?"

"If any person begs, say 'certainly, my poor woman,' or 'my man,' or 'my child,' You will have no money, of course; but Sam, policy!" ly, I have nt a cent about me.' If you

" Read the paper, praise the object, but say that you have just subscribed for more than you could afford for another object of a similar nature. If the applicant believes THE KANSAS QUESTION .- The Edgefield by this that you are in a charitable line, (S. C., ) Advertiser publishes the followhe will let you off, whereas, if you re. ling letter from a Pendleton lady.

violent fit of coughing, which nearly took out the citadel. him out of this queer world.

"I fear, father, this talking so much will be fatal to you," said Samuel.

termined not to die till I get through. As men. I was saying, Sammy, this is a queer When you have need of more, write out religion."

amazement. He had never mentioned re-

possible.

5. The Courts have decided that refusing to take periodicals from the office, or removing the initiated into my invariable and practice when you are obliged to. But, at invaluable policy. Be deferential, Sam, any rate profess, it halve a fall means. Talk religion occasionally— what is called a fine address, was met by one of his hearers the next day, when, in the course of conversation, allusion was any rate, profess; it helps a fellow along flatter whenever you get a chance—have fitable customers and best friends, by pro- and had heard it before. To this, the a bow, and a smile, and a word, and a fessing religion. Pew rent is no object clergyman boldly answered that the ad-"But if you belong to a church, you

will have to defend its doctrines; and rethey?"

"Sometimes. But whenever I found that I was getting into trouble on account of my religion, I was always careful to vield a point or two, smile in a christianlike way, and then back out of the scrape. That's the way to do it."

"It is best, I suppose, to be some kind of a politician?" inquired the son.

"By all means; but take care and always be on the strongest side. You can. though, be rabid as a mad dog in your views, when nobody but your side is present; affect to be very liberal in your sentiments when you talk with those of an again. By smiling I have gained many opposite political creed. Mankind love a

many existing instances of its truth.

"That there is," responded the sick "I was always careful, in the first man, nearly exhausted, and his lips as place, to feel my way with the women; pale as ashes. "Double dealing, done took care to understand their characters, well, will fix the flints of every body. their sentiments, their particular vanities When I lived in Squealbury—a hoggish ticut: and hobbies; keeping my own ideas in set there, Sain-I was a general favorite the back-ground until I could coincide owing to my management-and I had with theirs. I always took care never to money. They were going to build a town speak disrespectfully of the sex. I never, house. There were two parties, each fain the presence of a woman, called a wo-voring a different site. They sent comman a 'woman' or a 'female.' I had but mittees to ask my opinion. As the par-" How did you do when they differed, " And how did you overcome this diffi-

culty 3" "I would agree with one, and at the "I told the committees that if they on the adulteration of liquors, makes the same time wink at the others slily, as would call a meeting of both parties, I Scripture quotation of it:-" Thou shalt much as to say, 'tis all humbug, what I would give them my opinion. That meet. not commit adultery." am saying.' If a woman was ugly, I'd ing was called, and I went. 'Smirk! A new "reading" that. praise her intellect. If she didn't know Smirk! Smirk!' they all cried, and I anything I'd praise her virtue. In this arose, and after complimenting the row- an auction and sea sickness? One is the very seldom that you find a woman that is so forth, disclaimed my right either to the sail. ugly, immoral, and a fool in the bargain. distinguished honor conferred on me, or to In fact, it is hard to find anybody who deliver my opinion on the subject. I was the man said when he kissed his wife behasn't some good point, or who isn't sus- a native of Squeathury, I said, and no ceptible to flattery in some way or other; meddler. I would not express my preand a man must be a fool, who, determin ference or opinion. I had confidence that ed to flatter, and make his flattery accepthe intelligence of the Squealburians would ways think themselves the happiest when
table, can't seize hold of some merit, in
enable them to choose for themselves, and, others share their happiness with them.

mind, heart, form or face of the person he with great affected modesty, I bowed and wishes to please, and feigning to admire withdrew, in the midst of the cheers of both parties."

"Oh, be liberal-be liberal, by all Sam, admiringly; "and that was the rea- she was boarding, and in the most musimeans," said the dying man with a ghast- son you were elected to the Legislature?" cal voice, said to the assembled female "Yes," said the senior Smirk, faintly, boarders:

> "God bless you, my dear father! what's the matter ?"

"I am going Sam, I shall be off in a minute! Call in the minister and the and then quickly feel in your pockets, other bores, quick! but remember policy,

you must say, with a sigh, and a tear in And with the unfinished word, which your eye, if you can scare up one, I'm had been his guiding star through life, on!" really ashamed to own it, but unfortunate. upon his lips, Hon Simon Smirk expired. Intelligence of his death, was telegraphdon't get a 'God bless you' for that, I'm ed all over the Union, and a great many editorial obituary notices were written upon him, ending with

" None knew thee but to love thee, None name thee but to praise."

ENTHUSIASM OF SOUTHERN LADIES ON

fused out and out, without an explanation, To Capt. E. B. Bell :- Sir: I have he might abuse you behind your back. I read your letter for the cause of Kansus. have made myself a great reputation for If I were a man, I would go with you. I benevolence, merely by refusing to sub. believe it is as much our battle as though scribe in this way. This is a queer world, it were fought at our hearth-stones. Let us meet our enemies at the gate and at Here the old man was seized with a the ramparts, and not wait for them with-

Let me do what I can-let me send a man. I enclose you a gold chain to do it, I trust and hope that Colonel Bufford will " No, no," resumed his father, "I'm de. obtain subscriptions to carry five thousand

world, and you can't get along in it with- and publish it; and when the time comes for it, we will cut off our personal embel-"Without what?" exclaimed his son, in lishments and expose them for sale.

A DAUGHTER OF THE SOUTH.

practice when you are obliged to. But, at the course of conversation, allusion was in business. I got some of the most prodress was written by himself the week previous to its delivery, and therefore the assertion could not be correct. The next ligious controversies create enmity, don't day, he received a splendid copy of Webster's Dictionary.

COURAGE AND DISCRETION .- A COURA geous ram took it into his head to resist a locomotive. The brave old sheep heard the whistle, the roar, and the rumble; he saw the shower of fire and glaring eveballs of the monster; he curled up his majestic head, and he battered his brow into the foe. Alas! poor ram! not a ock of wool nor a piece of horn could be found. The owner, in lamenting the loss of poor rammy, said :- " I admire his pluck, but confound his discretion."

A "PIOUS" PIECE OF POLLY.-The Boston Bee says a week or two since, a liberal man; and if you flatter your foes, certain religious society in Waltham, called a formal meeting, at which a committee was appointed to wait upon their pastor "Do you know, Sam, why I was always Sammy, musingly, reflecting upon the and request him to remove two favorite studs which he had long worn in his shirt

The following conundrum took the prize of a pewter pitcher, at a recent Woman's Rights Convention in Connec-

"Why is a married man like a candle?" "Because he frequently goes out of a night when he oughtn't to."

A man very much intoxicated. was sent to durance vile. "Why didn't one name-ladies-for all the feminine ties were about equal in numbers and in- of a friend. "Bail him out," exclaimed you bail him out?" inquired a bystander fluence, I hesitated at first which to favor." the other, "you couldn't pump him out!"

A contemporary in a paragraph

What is the difference between way I seldom missed the mark, for it is dies generally, the town, its character, and sale of effects, the other the effects of a

Business before pleasure," as fore going out to kiss his neighbor's.

Men of the noblest disposition, al-

### Rather a Slim Wardrobe.

Mrs. -, a very dignified woman, and fine actress of New York, came to "That was well done, father," said the table one morning at the house where

> "I was quite surprised this morningquite surprised."

"Ah, indeed!" cried several, " pray, Mrs. - , what was it ?" parties. Do as I did, Sam, and you will "I will tell you. I entered the sitting oom rather early this morning, and while there, a gentleman came in, in a shocking doctrine:

state of scanty wardrobe." All paused for further development. She continued .

"Now, I wager you, gentlemen, a bascet of wine, that you cannot guess what part of a gentleman's wardrobe he had

"What piece?" said they. "Ay, he had but one piece of man's pparel on him."

After some simpering and blushing of the ladies, and laughter of the gentlemen. they began to guess.

" Was it his pantaloons ?"

" No." " His drawers?"

" No." "His overcoat?"

" No." " His linen ?"

" No, sir." " His cloak?"

" No." "Dickey and spurs, perhaps!" said a facetious old gent. "A regular Georgia ostume, eh?"

" No, sir, you have not guessed it yet, Go on," said the actress.

" Well, was it a mantle?"

" No." " An umbrella, perhaps ?"

" No." "Then, by George, we give up!" said superabundance of truth and honesty, have

" Well, gentlemen, some one of you, or stranger, came into the room, and disappeared as soon—with nothing on but his East, who don't know enough to move son the merits of the sermon.

The younger ladies vanished; the rest Mrs. — very seriously and calmly me-you might ride me on a rail, as me to the gates of heaven."

"Massa says you must surtin pay lest extent of the lynch law; therefore, I have such another chance." le bill to-day," said a negro to a New Or- shan't say any such thing: but I will venlearns shop-keeper.

way, is he?" was the reply

the darkey, slyly and mysteriously, "he's breeches; and you worship pieces of gold, auction, goods and chattles knock down to wants to make a big raise !"

aper ? If not don't you think it's time ? and intellectual advantages which you pos- large cop without a handle ! We vamosed

You flatter me," said an exquisite ration. They, poor things, are surroundat a hotel the other day to a youny lady ed by the thickest darkness of ignorance who was praising the beauty of his mous- -so thick that their little sixteen-to-the tache. "For heaven's sake, ma'am," interposed a Hoosier, "don't make that chap with a sickly glare; but you, my dear any flatter than he is now."

"Why did Joseph's brethern call you are, placed in an ever-blooming garin into the pit?" asked a Sabbath school den of knowledge. The sun of enlighteacher of his class.

"Because," replied one, slily "they clouded firmament of peace; around you, thought it a good opening for the young on every side, flow streams of learning.

Commentators are requested not to avail beautifying the flowery vales of virtue: themselves of this explanation, as a copy- before you, stand the two trees of good right has been secured.

WELLERISMS .- "Be-Ware," as the potter said to the clay. "I'll be burnt if I do," as the clay re-

lied to the potter. "You'r doing a smashing business," as the gardener said to the hailstones.

is the cat said to the kitten. "I'll retire in dis-gust," as the colored gentleman said when the thunder-storm came up.

"There's mew-tual feeling between us,"

paddy said when he caught the hornet. "That's a flame of mine," as the bellows said to the fire.
"Liberty or death," as the rat said,

hen his tail was caught in the trap. "This is a grate prospect," as the prisoner said, when he peeped out of his cell

Go to the bees, those little democratic in-If you want an ignoramus to respect you, "dress to death," and wear watch seals about the size of a brick bat,

An editor—"out West" of course money-changers, flint-skinners, and sharpas he was going a courting one night, ers-no striking for wages-no wrangling, said he was going to press. The most beautiful hand is the one

Deep sorrow light no tongue.

SHORT PATENT SERMONS.

ON AVARICE. BY DOW, JR. TEXT.

God made man and man made money, God made bees and bees made honey.

My Hearers :- If you were to a ne for what purpose man was created, I should say at once, he was created to love. serve and obey his Maker, and to do all the good he can, without directly meddling with the business of others: but generally speaking, he does like to believe this

bored to prepare for a rainy day. His He'd rather believe that the chief end of man is to keep what he's got, and to get what he can.

pound candles of instinct can burn but

enment slines down upon you from un un-

enriching the soil of your intellects, and

and evil, and you know which is what, as

well as I do. With all these advantages,

how is it possible that you, ye children of

avarice, can be content to wallow in the

filthy mire of lucre? But you will keep

gnawing at the root of all evil, regardless

of the poison that lurks therein, the effect

squeals out for mercy-and others to per-

form a clandestine pilgrimage to Texas,

grace to a civilized community. I have

disputing and quarrelling about gain, and

no objections to your making money, if

to worship at the shrine of Mammon.

My hearers-I might as well let out I think my hearers, that man has made the whole cable of my opinion, as to keep noney his chief end, whether he is desuch a weight of it coiled up in my breast. signed for it or not, Go where you will Therefore, I say, I consider the practice of among the nations of the earth-among bees making honey, far more decent than the enlightened, civilized, half-civilized, many of your modern plans for making savage, heathen, barbarian, unitarian, money, because one is made by industry trinitarian, bibletarian, nothingarian, and money is the god bowed down to by all.

Yes, my friends, it is the general or uni-Yes, my friends, it is the general or universal god for the whole world. There is but one greater, and more powerful; but ral characters. The devil is fishing for it makes me feel bad to say that this greater One is most shamefully slighted by the He caught a lawyer the other day, but he couldn't keep him. He went to scale him. difference is, one is worshipped six days in the week-aye, I may say seven- and so he slipped through his flogers, and but he didn't like to be in such a scrape; went ker-flap down into the muldy pool of day-and, in thousands of cases, not even his former iniquity. But you, my friends, that. You may well hang down your heads, ye proselytes of modern avarice, to snap rashly at the devil's shilling, nor are not all lawyers; so I advise you not and blush for the shameful truths that I hang longingly round it, or you may get fire off at you! I shoot no blank cartridges-mine are no paper wads-but. are fried eels, as sure as a cat can jump. hooked up by the gill-and if you do, you with the leaden bullets of conviction, I All you want here, is enough to make you comfortable; and that can always be which, alas! have been converted into got fairly-besides a small surplus to pay sub-treasuries for miserly, worldly, gainyour passages to that happy land where getting, hard-currency thoughts. Supone is as rich as another, and a perfect posing, my hearers, that I should, in the equality exists. So mote it be! the superfluous kindness to say that you were all worshippers of false gods, the in Massachusetts returned home on Sunsame as are those pagan idolaters of the day from church, and began to extol to his

A strictly orthodox old gentleman

back when too near the fire: supposing I "I have heard, Frank," said he, " one should say this-what might you do to of the most delightful sermons ever delivof the company roared like hyenas, while me ? You might, perhaps, tar and feather ered before a christian society. It carried

averse as I am to such a mode of travel-ling—you might persecute me to the ful-better have dedged in, for you will never

Never nod to an acquaintances at ture to say, that between you and the poor "Why, he isn't afraid I'm going to run ignorant heathen, there is a practical like- an auction. We did so once. The aucway, is he?" was the reply
"Not exactly dat; but look heea," said

"Not exactly dat; but look heea," said a piece of stone, or a pair of stuffed it to him, and we found at the close of the going to run away himtheff, and darfore bits of silver, and scraps of paper. How us, for which we had no earthly use, viz., much better then, are you than they? four broken chairs, six cracked flower pots, Reader! have you paid for your Not but a precious little, when the moral a rickety old bedstead full of bugs, and a

sess are thrown into the scale of conside- in double-quick time. PERCHANCE.—A fashionable lady at a watering place had a favorite lap-dog. which she called Perchance.

"A singular name for your beautiful friends, are differently situated. Here pet, madame; where did you find it?" "O," drawled she, most exquisitely, "it was named for Byron'sdog. You remem-

> ber where he speaks of it, and says: " Perchance, my dog, will howl." SHORT AND SHARP .- The Richmond Enquirer says of the new Philadelphia Know-Nothing platform: "We are at a

loss to decide whether this platform is most

remarkable for its intellectual imbecility which it displays, for its low, transparent, vulgar cunning and hypocrisy, or for its downright, unblushing dishonesty." PROOF OF AFFECTION .- " Well, Tom. does your girl continue to love you?" of which is most awful. It causes some "Yes, more than ever." "Indeed! what to steal sheep, rob hen-roosts, lie, cheat and evidence have you of that?" " Why she dissemble-others to put on the robe of makes me presents." "What has she

piety, and go to church to pick pockets in given you lately?" "Oh, she made me prayer time—others to squeeze a poor a present of my picture, which I paid five man's sixpence in his clutches, till it dollars for before I gave it to her." A keeper of a saloon at Geelong advertising his establishment, thus con-

O, my friends! these things are a dis-"Those of my patrons who require it shall be sent home on a wheelbarrow gra-

you can make it honestly and not too fast, tis." Nor wuo, BUT WHAT,-Lady-And so sects, and grow wiser. They obtain their you are married, ch! Who did you mar-

bread and their honey, by incessant indus- ry? try. There are no beggarly misers, thieves Forgetful Snob-Well, I married forty and robbers among them-no land-sharks, thousand dollars; I forget her other name.

Virtue needs more admirers, wisdom more suplicants, truth more real the division of spoils. No, my friends, all friends, and honesty more practitioners.

A fittle glutton of a boy said he there is love, harmony, industry, and peace. The corruptions of avarice can should like to live in Scotland, because he find no crack through which to enter their had heard it was the 'land o' cakes.'